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State Health Council Announces Latest Recipients of Dental Loan Repayment Program

BISMARCK, N.D. – The State Health Council, in conjunction with the North Dakota Department of Health, announces that three dentists have been approved for the dental repayment program approved by the state legislature.

The recipients include Christopher Eriksson, DDS (Grand Forks); Amy Holtan, DDS (New Rockford); and Samuel Sticka, DDS (Fargo).

"The council continues to receive a growing number of applications from qualified and skilled medical professionals," said Gordon Myerchin, chair of the State Health Council. "The loan repayments are awarded to physicians, mid-level practitioners, dentists and veterinarians to help them pay for their college loans."

The State Health Council awards the loan repayments based on funding and the criteria set by the legislature. Recipients agree to work in areas of the state that are in need of professionals with their expertise in order to meet the needs of their population.

The State Health Council serves as the North Dakota Department of Health's governing and advisory body. The council's 11 members are appointed by the governor for three-year terms. Four members are appointed from the health-care provider community, five from the public sector, one from the energy industry and one from the manufacturing and processing industry.

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